

INTERNAL MIGRATION TWELVE MONTHS ENDED SEPTEMBER 1978

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MAIN FEATURES

- From a survey in October 1978 it is estimated that, at the end of September 1978, 1,684,100 persons aged 15 and over lived at an address which differed from that of twelve months earlier. These movers comprised 16.5 per cent of the population, compared with 16.2 per cent (1,581,100 persons) in 1977. 1.9 per cent of the population moved interstate.
- Of all movers, 39.9 per cent were aged 15 to 24 years, 31.2 per cent 25 to 34 years and 28.9 per cent 35 years and over. Those aged 20-24 are the most mobile among all age groups; their rate of movement was 386 per thousand. In general, the rate of movement is lower for higher age groups.
- 31.0 per cent of unemployed persons changed residence but only 18.1 per cent of the employed.
- The number of persons who moved within a State capital city was 827,400 (49.1 per cent of all movers). 56,500 (3.4 per cent) moved between the State capital cities. 120,800 (7.2 per cent) moved into State capital cities; and 123,400 (7.3 per cent) moved out.
- The number of persons who moved interstate was 193,500 (11.5 per cent of all movers). States of origin and destination were New South Wales (51,000; 50,900), Victoria (44,300; 33,900), Queensland (35,300; 41,600), South Australia (18,500; 16,700), Western Australia (17,900; 22,000), Tasmania (8,200; 6,100), Northern Territory (6,900; 9,200) and Australian Capital Territory (11,500; 13,100).

EXPLANATORY NOTES

Introduction

This publication contains the results of a survey conducted in October 1978 in conjunction with the monthly Population Survey. The survey, the eighth in the series, obtained information about the numbers and characteristics of non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over who had changed their usual residence in the previous twelve months. Statistics from earlier surveys are given for comparison.

2. The Censuses of Population and Housing of June 1971 and 1976 also contained questions about change of residence. In 1971, the question related to movement during the preceding five years; in 1976 information was obtained about movement in the preceding twelve months as well as five years. Accordingly, no survey was made of movements in 1975. Internal migration data from the 1976 Census is now becoming available. For information ring Nick Swain, Canberra 526008 or our State Office, or write to address shown above.

Survey periods

3. The surveys held in May of each year 1970 to 1974 related to the period between 1 May of the previous year and 30 April of the year of the survey. The February 1975 survey related to the period between 1 January 1974 and 31 December 1974. The February 1977 survey related to the period between 1 February 1976 and 31 January 1977. The survey which is the subject of this publication was taken in October 1978 and related to the period between 1 October 1977 and 30 September 1978.

Related publications

4. Results of this series of surveys have been published in the following publications

- Internal Migration 1971-72 (Preliminary Statement)* (Catalogue No. 3407.0. Previously Ref. No. 4.24)
- Internal Migration 1972-73 (Preliminary Statement)* (Catalogue No. 3407.0. Previously Ref. No. 4.24)
- Internal Migration, Years ended April 1974 and December 1974 (Preliminary)* (Catalogue No. 3407.0. Previously Ref. No. 4.24)
- Internal Migration 1969-70 to 1972-73* (Catalogue No. 3408.0. Previously Ref. No. 4.26)
- Internal Migration, Twelve months ended April 1972, 1973 and 1974 and December 1974* (Catalogue No. 3408.0. Previously Ref. No. 4.26)
- Internal Migration, Twelve months ended January 1977* (Catalogue No. 3408.0. Previously Ref. No. 4.26).

5. The survey covering the period 1969-70 contained questions about the reasons for moving and the number of moves made during the period. Data from

these questions are published in the publication for 1969-70 to 1972-73. In another survey, that of May 1974, internal migration questions were addressed to children under 15 years of age. Although unpublished, statistics of children reported to have changed residence in 1973-74 can be obtained on request. The ABS intends to include children under age 15 in future internal migration surveys.

6. Alternative statistics of interstate changes of residence, which are incorporated in the official population estimates for Australia, the States and Territories, are derived from records of interstate transfers of family allowance payments and enrolments for electoral purposes. Current investigations into the coverage and reliability of these statistics and those from the Census and the surveys is expected to lead to a rationalisation of the collection and application of internal migration statistics by the ABS.

Arrangement of this publication

7. Table 1 in Part 1 (Internal Migration) relates to persons who were resident in Australia at both the beginning and end of each survey period as defined in paragraph 3 above, including those who did not move during the year. Tables 2 to 6 relate to those who were resident in Australia at both dates and who moved, i.e. changed their usual residence, between the two dates. Table 6 contains data relating to employment status, birthplace and period of residence in Australia of persons born overseas who changed their place of residence during the year.

8. Tables 7 to 9 in Part 2 (Interstate Migration) relate to persons who moved interstate. (They comprise a segment of the movers covered in the tables in Part 1, including migrants from overseas who had arrived before the period of the survey and moved interstate during the survey period). They do not include movements made after arrival by persons who came from overseas during the survey period.

9. Table 10 in Part 3 (Residence of Overseas Arrivals) relates to persons whose usual place of residence was overseas at the beginning of the annual period and in Australia at the end of the period, including both settlers and Australian residents who returned from extended stays abroad. Information about them or about internal moves they may have made in the survey year subsequent to their arrival, is not included in the tables in Parts 1 and 2. The information is necessarily limited to movement from overseas to Australia.

The population survey

10. The survey was based on a multi-stage area sample of private dwellings (about 30,000 houses, flats, etc.) and non-private dwellings (hotels, motels, etc.) and covered about two thirds of one per cent of the population of Australia. The information was obtained from the occupants of selected dwellings by carefully chosen and specially trained interviewers, the interviews being conducted during the two weeks beginning on Monday, 9 October.

Scope and definitions

11. The survey included all persons aged fifteen years and over except:

- (a) members of the permanent defence forces
- (b) certain diplomatic personnel of overseas governments, customarily excluded from census and estimated populations
- (c) non-Australians on tour or holidaying in Australia
- (d) members of non-Australian defence forces (and their dependants) stationed in Australia, and
- (e) boarding school pupils, patients in hospitals and sanatoria, or inmates of gaols, reformatories, etc.

12. For the purposes of the survey, persons were classified as having moved if the address of their usual place of residence at the end of the survey period was different from that at the beginning of the survey period. No information was obtained about the moves between these dates. Persons who were resident at the same address on both dates, but who may have moved away and returned during this period, were not counted as movers.

Results for State capital cities, Territories and local government areas

13. In some tables changes of usual residence are shown in terms of movement within capital city areas or between capital city and other areas. Estimates for State capital cities relate to persons residing within the boundaries of the capital city Statistical Divisions. The delimitation of these capital city Statistical Divisions is explained in Australian Bureau of Statistics, 1976 *Census: Population and Dwellings in Local Government Areas and Urban Centres (Preliminary)* (2401.0-2406.0). Note that Canberra and Darwin are not State capital cities.

14. In the February 1977 survey it was found possible, for the first time in this series of surveys, to code addresses of usual residence to local government areas. This was repeated for the current survey. The small size of the estimates precludes publication of the numbers and characteristics of movers into and out of individual local government areas, but judicious grouping of areas can provide useable estimates. Table 5, for instance, includes estimates in respect of areas within Sydney, Brisbane and Adelaide. Statistics for other groupings of local government areas can be made available on request.

Reliability of the estimates

15. Since the estimates in this statement are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the information had been obtained from occupants of all dwellings. One measure of the likely difference is given by the standard error, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of

dwelling was included in the survey. Estimates with a standard error of more than about 35 per cent have not been shown, as the degree of sampling variability would seriously detract from their value for most reasonable uses. Although in some cases figures for these small components can be derived by subtraction they should not be regarded as reliable. More information on this topic, together with a table showing estimated standard errors is given in the technical note at the end of this publication. Standard errors in respect of net gains or losses, which are greater than those for one-way flows,

are shown against the net figures in Tables 3 and 7.

Symbols and other usages

- .. Not applicable
- * Subject to sampling variability too high for most practical uses

Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

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PART 1. INTERNAL MIGRATION

TABLE 1. CIVILIANS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER (a) : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE ('000)

	Year ended -						
	30 April 1971	30 April 1972	30 April 1973	30 April 1974	31 December 1974	31 January 1977	30 September 1978
MALES							
Changed usual place of residence (b)	698.4	712.1	797.0	805.9	682.8	796.2	847.7
Did not change usual place of residence (c)	3,741.3	3,737.0	3,689.7	3,769.3	3,980.7	4,027.8	4,205.9
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,439.7</i>	<i>4,449.1</i>	<i>4,486.8</i>	<i>4,575.1</i>	<i>4,663.5</i>	<i>4,824.1</i>	<i>5,053.5</i>
FEMALES							
Changed usual place of residence (b)	672.7	681.0	787.2	786.7	660.1	784.8	836.4
Did not change usual place of residence (c)	3,821.8	3,824.5	3,789.7	3,876.0	4,063.9	4,133.8	4,316.3
<i>Total</i>	<i>4,494.5</i>	<i>4,505.5</i>	<i>4,576.9</i>	<i>4,662.7</i>	<i>4,723.9</i>	<i>4,918.7</i>	<i>5,152.7</i>
PERSONS							
Changed usual place of residence (b)	1,371.2	1,393.1	1,584.2	1,592.6	1,342.9	1,581.1	1,684.1
Did not change usual place of residence (c)	7,563.0	7,561.5	7,479.4	7,645.3	8,044.6	8,161.6	8,522.1
<i>Total</i>	<i>8,934.2</i>	<i>8,954.6</i>	<i>9,063.6</i>	<i>9,237.9</i>	<i>9,387.5</i>	<i>9,742.7</i>	<i>10,206.2</i>
PROPORTION OF TOTAL PERSONS (per cent)							
Changed usual place of residence (b)	15.3	15.6	17.5	17.2	14.3	16.2	16.5
Did not change usual place of residence (c)	84.7	84.4	82.5	82.8	85.7	83.8	83.5
<i>Total</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>	<i>100.0</i>

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over at the time of the survey who were resident in Australia at the beginning and end of the survey year. (b) Persons whose usual residence at the end of the survey year was at a different address from that at the beginning. (c) Persons whose usual residence was at the same address at both the beginning and end of the survey years. Changes of residence away from and back to the same address during the survey year are not counted.

TABLE 2. CIVILIANS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER (a) : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE BY TYPE OF MOVE ('000)

Type of move	Year ended -						
	30 April 1971	30 April 1972	30 April 1973	30 April 1974	31 December 1974	31 January 1977	30 September 1978
MALES							
From an address in a State capital city (b)							
To an address outside a State capital city in the same State or another State	59.8	54.6	64.1	63.3	53.9	47.6	61.0
To an address in another State capital city	28.7	23.9	30.1	32.2	22.4	31.2	29.0
To an address in the same State capital city	329.4	358.2	401.5	400.2	339.4	408.1	409.4
From an address not in a State capital city (b)							
To an address in a State capital city in the same State or another State	58.2	59.7	62.0	59.6	51.3	57.2	60.2
To another address outside a State capital city	222.3	215.6	239.3	250.5	215.9	252.1	288.1
Total	698.4	712.1	797.0	805.9	682.8	796.2	847.7
FEMALES							
From an address in a State capital city (b)							
To an address outside a State capital city in the same State or another State	53.0	48.5	64.6	65.0	52.0	54.0	62.4
To an address in another State capital city	28.8	30.4	28.0	30.3	23.7	30.4	27.5
To an address in the same State capital city	332.4	356.3	413.8	410.1	343.2	408.2	417.9
From an address not in a State capital city (b)							
To an address in a State capital city in the same State or another State	60.8	56.3	56.8	58.3	46.0	55.9	60.7
To another address outside a State capital city	197.8	189.5	224.0	223.0	195.2	236.4	267.9
Total	672.7	681.0	787.2	786.8	660.1	784.8	836.4
PERSONS							
From an address in a State capital city (b)							
To an address outside a State capital city in the same State or another State	112.8	103.3	128.8	128.3	105.9	101.6	123.4
To an address in another State capital city	57.4	54.3	58.0	62.5	46.1	61.6	56.5
To an address in the same State capital city	661.8	714.5	815.3	810.3	682.5	816.3	827.4
From an address not in a State capital city (b)							
To an address in a State capital city in the same State or another State	119.0	116.0	118.8	118.0	97.3	113.1	120.8
To another address outside a State capital city	420.1	405.1	463.3	473.5	411.1	488.5	556.0
Total	1,371.2	1,393.1	1,584.2	1,592.6	1,342.9	1,581.1	1,684.1

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over at the time of the survey whose usual residence at the end of the survey year was at a different address from that at the beginning of the year and who were resident in Australia on both dates. (b) State capital cities exclude Canberra and Darwin.

TABLE 3. CIVILIANS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER (a): CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE BY DETAILED TYPE OF MOVE BY BIRTHPLACE AND BY STATES AND TERRITORIES, YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1978 ('000)

Type of move	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
AUSTRALIAN-BORN									
Moved within State capital city (b)	201.6	157.3	66.9	64.0	52.6	12.2	..	..	554.5
Moved from State capital city (b) –									
To elsewhere in same State	15.7	12.7	15.7	5.2	9.0	2.0	..	..	60.3
To another State or Territory	19.2	23.9	13.3	10.0	10.1	3.4	..	..	80.0
Moved to State capital city (b) –									
From elsewhere in same State	16.3	15.0	18.7	6.4	10.1	1.8	..	..	68.3
From another State or Territory	22.8	17.4	11.3	8.7	9.8	1.9	..	..	71.9
Net gain (+) or loss (–), State capital cities	+4.1	–4.2	+0.9	*	+0.8	–1.6	..	..	*
Moved within area outside State capital city (b)	139.2	76.7	119.7	21.2	31.6	19.9	11.4	16.1	435.9
Moved from area outside State capital city (b) –									
To State capital city	16.3	15.0	18.7	6.4	10.1	1.8	..	..	68.3
To another State or Territory	20.2	9.4	14.9	4.6	4.0	3.8	5.7	9.5	72.1
Moved to area outside State capital city (b) –									
From State capital city	15.7	12.7	15.7	5.2	9.0	2.0	..	..	60.3
From another State or Territory	17.6	10.4	22.1	3.8	5.2	3.3	7.4	10.4	80.2
Net gain (+) or loss (–), areas outside capital cities	–3.2	–1.3	+4.3	–2.1	*	–0.4	+1.7	+0.9	*
Total net gain (+) or loss (–), States and Territories	+1.0	–5.5	+5.2	–2.1	+0.9	–2.0	+1.7	+0.9	..
OVERSEAS-BORN									
Moved within State capital city (b)	105.8	82.3	21.2	27.7	34.1	1.8	..	..	272.8
Moved from State capital city (b) –									
To elsewhere in same State	4.1	2.7	3.3	*	4.0	0.3	..	..	14.5
To another State or Territory	8.0	7.5	4.0	3.0	2.3	0.4	..	..	25.2
Moved to State capital city (b) –									
From elsewhere in same State	3.7	2.6	3.2	1.9	2.9	0.7	..	..	15.0
From another State or Territory	5.0	5.2	3.2	3.4	5.0	0.4	..	..	22.1
Net gain (+) or loss (–), State capital cities	–3.4	–2.5	–0.8	+2.2	+1.6	+0.3	..	..	–2.6
Moved within area outside State capital city (b)	17.7	9.5	17.6	2.4	8.4	2.5	3.9	7.2	69.3
Moved from area outside State capital city (b) –									
To State capital city	3.7	2.6	3.2	1.9	2.9	0.7	..	..	15.0
To another State or Territory	3.5	3.5	3.1	0.9	1.5	0.5	1.2	2.0	16.2
Moved to area outside State capital city (b) –									
From State capital city	4.1	2.7	3.3	*	4.0	0.3	..	..	14.5
From another State or Territory	5.4	0.9	5.0	0.9	2.0	0.6	1.8	2.8	19.3
Net gain (+) or loss (–), areas outside capital cities	+2.3	–2.5	+2.0	–1.9	+1.6	–0.3	+0.6	+0.8	+2.6
Total net gain (+) or loss (–), States and Territories	–1.1	–5.0	+1.2	+0.4	+3.2	*	+0.6	+0.8	..
ALL BIRTHPLACES									
Moved within State capital city (b)	307.4	239.6	88.1	91.7	86.7	14.0	..	..	827.4
Moved from State capital city (b) –									
To elsewhere in same State	19.8	15.4	19.0	5.2	13.0	2.3	..	..	74.8
To another State or Territory	27.2	31.4	17.3	13.0	12.4	3.8	..	..	105.2
Moved to State capital city (b) –									
From elsewhere in same State	20.0	17.6	21.9	8.4	13.0	2.5	..	..	83.3
From another State or Territory	27.8	22.6	14.5	12.1	14.8	2.3	..	..	94.0
Net gain (+) or loss (–), State capital cities	*	–6.7	*	+2.2	+2.3	–1.4	..	..	–2.6
Standard error of net gain or loss (c)	..	3.8	..	2.2	2.6	1.2	..	..	6.9
Moved within area outside State capital city (b)	156.9	86.2	137.3	23.6	40.0	22.4	15.3	23.3	505.2
Moved from area outside State capital city (b) –									
To State capital city	20.0	17.6	21.9	8.4	13.0	2.5	..	..	83.3
To another State or Territory	23.7	12.9	18.0	5.5	5.5	4.4	6.9	11.5	88.3
Moved to area outside State capital city (b) –									
From State capital city	19.8	15.4	19.0	5.2	13.0	2.3	..	..	74.8
From another State or Territory	23.1	11.3	27.1	4.6	7.2	3.8	9.2	13.1	99.5
Net gain (+) or loss (–), areas outside capital cities	*	–3.8	+6.2	–3.9	+1.8	–0.7	+2.3	+1.7	+2.6
Standard error of net gain or loss (c)	..	3.2	3.4	1.9	2.3	1.3	1.5	1.7	6.9
Total net gain (+) or loss (–), States and Territories	*	–10.5	+6.4	–1.8	+4.1	–2.1	+2.3	+1.7	..
Standard error of net gain or loss	..	3.6	3.3	2.2	2.2	1.4	1.5	1.7	..
Total, changed usual place of residence (d) –									
Males	279.5	192.9	156.9	72.6	91.1	23.6	13.5	17.6	847.7
Females	275.4	199.7	151.0	73.0	83.6	23.8	11.0	18.9	836.4
Persons	555.0	392.6	307.9	145.6	174.7	47.3	24.5	36.5	1,684.1

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over at the time of the survey whose usual residence at the end of the survey year was at a different address from that at the beginning of the year and who were resident in Australia on both dates. (b) State capital cities exclude Canberra and Darwin. (c) For details of standard errors see Technical Note at the end of this publication. (d) For a given State or Territory, comprises movement *within* the State or Territory and movement *to* another State or Territory.

TABLE 4. CIVILIANS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER (a) : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE BY BROAD TYPE OF MOVE BY AGE, YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1978

Age group (years)	Moved within or between State capital cities (b)	Moved within area outside State capital cities (b)	Moved from State capital cities to other areas (b)	Moved to State capital cities from other areas (b)	All movers
No. ('000)					
15-19	105.0	82.4	15.1	25.6	228.2
20-24	245.2	138.8	31.4	28.7	444.2
25-34	290.5	159.1	40.1	35.6	525.2
35-44	103.6	74.2	11.1	14.0	202.9
45-54	62.4	44.2	10.3	5.6	122.5
55-64	42.1	32.6	10.0	5.3	90.0
65+	35.1	24.6	5.5	6.0	71.2
Total	883.9	555.9	123.4	120.8	1,684.1
Per cent					
15-19	11.9	14.8	12.2	21.2	13.5
20-24	27.7	25.0	25.4	23.8	26.4
25-34	32.9	28.6	32.5	29.4	31.2
35-44	11.7	13.3	9.0	11.6	12.0
45-54	7.1	7.9	8.3	4.6	7.3
55-64	4.8	5.9	8.1	4.4	5.3
65+	4.0	4.4	4.5	5.0	4.2
Total	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0	100.0
Mobility rate (c)					
15-19	84	66	12	21	183
20-24	212	121	27	25	386
25-34	133	73	18	16	240
35-44	63	45	7	9	123
45-54	41	29	7	4	81
55-64	34	26	8	4	72
65+	29	20	5	5	59
Total	87	54	12	12	165

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over at the time of the survey whose usual residence at the end of the survey year was at a different address from that at the beginning of the year and who were resident in Australia on both dates. (b) State capital cities exclude Canberra and Darwin. (c) Movers per 1,000 population of the same age group.

TABLE 5. CIVILIANS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER (a) : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE
BY AREAS OF STATE, YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1978
(⁰⁰⁰)

Place of residence on 30 September 1978							
Place of residence on 1 October 1977	Metropolitan		Non-metropolitan			Total	
			Major towns (b)	Other	Rest of Australia		
NEW SOUTH WALES							
	Inner (c)	Outer (d)	New Cities (e)				
Metropolitan –							
Inner (c)	139.4	32.4	5.2	6.0	2.9	13.5	199.5
Outer (d)	20.1	88.8	5.4	3.3	6.1	12.6	136.3
New Cities (e)	4.0	3.0	9.1	*	*	*	18.7
Non-Metropolitan –							
Major towns (b)	7.6	3.0	*	73.6	14.3	13.5	113.5
Other	4.5	2.6	*	10.0	59.1	10.2	87.2
Rest of Australia	14.9	10.6	2.3	10.8	12.2	1,078.2	1,129.1
Total	190.6	140.3	24.2	104.4	95.4	1,129.1	1,684.1
VICTORIA							
Metropolitan		239.6		3.9	11.5	31.4	286.4
Non-Metropolitan –							
Major towns (b)		7.4		30.3	6.1	5.4	49.1
Other		10.2		8.2	41.6	7.5	67.5
Rest of Australia		22.6		4.2	7.1	1,247.1	1,281.0
Total		279.7		46.6	66.3	1,291.5	1,684.1
QUEENSLAND							
	Inner (f)	Outer (g)					
Metropolitan –							
Inner (f)	58.6		10.3	6.2	6.4	12.1	93.6
Outer (g)	5.7		13.4	2.6	3.8	5.2	30.8
Non-Metropolitan –							
Major towns (b)	6.9		4.0	61.7	15.3	13.3	101.1
Other	6.3		4.7	14.7	45.7	4.7	76.1
Rest of Australia	10.6		3.9	15.4	11.7	1,340.9	1,382.5
Total	88.2		36.3	100.6	82.8	1,376.1	1,684.1
SOUTH AUSTRALIA							
	Inner (h)	Outer (i)					
Metropolitan –							
Inner (h)	83.0		2.6	*	4.1	11.0	101.0
Outer (i)	1.5		4.6	*	*	2.0	8.9
Non-Metropolitan –							
Major towns (b)	2.6		*	5.0	2.5	2.0	12.4
Other	4.8		*	2.0	14.0	3.4	25.0
Rest of Australia	11.5		*	1.5	3.1	1,520.0	1,536.7
Total	103.4		8.8	8.9	24.6	1,538.5	1,684.1
WESTERN AUSTRALIA							
Metropolitan		86.7		3.0	10.0	12.4	112.1
Non-Metropolitan –							
Major towns (b)		2.7		6.6	3.9	1.1	14.4
Other		10.2		2.8	26.7	4.4	44.1
Rest of Australia		14.8		2.6	4.6	1,491.5	1,513.5
Total		114.4		15.0	45.2	1,509.4	1,684.1
TASMANIA							
Metropolitan		14.0		*	2.2	3.8	20.1
Non-Metropolitan –							
Major towns (b)		*		4.9	2.8	1.7	9.9
Other		2.0		2.7	12.0	2.7	19.4
Rest of Australia		2.3		1.3	2.6	1,628.5	1,634.7
Total		18.8		9.0	19.6	1,636.8	1,684.1

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over at the time of the survey whose usual residence at the end of the survey year was at a different address from that at the beginning of the year and who were resident in Australia on both dates. (b) Non-metropolitan cities and towns with a population in the Local Government Area of 10,000 or more at 30 June 1976. For the population of Local Government Areas see 1976 Census publications *Population and Dwellings in Local Government Areas and Urban Centres (Preliminary)* (2401.0 - 2408.0) and *Characteristics of the Population and Dwellings in Local Government Areas* (2427.0-2434.0). (c) Leichardt, Marrickville, Randwick, South Sydney, Sydney, Waverley, Woolahra, Burwood, Concord, Drummoyne, Strathfield, Bankstown, Botany, Canterbury, Hurstville, Kogarah, Rockdale, Auburn, Hunters Hill, Lane Cove, Manly, Mosman, North Sydney, Willoughby. (d) Sutherland, Liverpool, Wollandilly, Baulkham Hills, Blacktown, Blue Mountains, Colo, Fairfield, Holroyd, Parramatta, Penrith, Windsor, Hornsby, Ku-ring-gai, Ryde, Warringah. (e) The term "new cities" is recommended by the N.S.W. Planning and Environment Commission and comprises Camden, Campbelltown, Gosford and Wyong. (f) City of Brisbane. (g) Balance of Brisbane Metropolitan Area. (h) Adelaide Statistical Division. (i) Outer-Adelaide Statistical Division.

TABLE 6. CIVILIANS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER (a) : CHANGE OF USUAL RESIDENCE
BY BIRTHPLACE, SEX, YEAR OF ARRIVAL AND EMPLOYMENT STATUS,
YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1978
(^{'000})

Birthplace, year of arrival	Employment status							
	Males				Females			
	Employed	Unemployed (b)	Not in labour force	Total	Employed	Unemployed (b)	Not in labour force	Total
Born in Australia	492.5	48.4	89.6	630.4	325.9	36.1	278.5	640.6
Born outside Australia :								
Arrived before 1947	2.9	*	5.0	8.3	*	*	6.9	8.5
Arrived 1947-1961	46.5	5.6	7.6	59.8	25.1	*	25.2	51.9
1962-1966	26.2	3.2	3.9	33.2	13.5	2.1	12.4	28.0
1967 and 1968	14.6	*	1.8	17.1	8.8	*	6.4	16.4
1969 and 1970	16.9	2.3	*	20.7	10.3	*	9.0	20.9
1971 and 1972	17.2	*	*	19.7	9.7	*	6.3	17.0
1973 and 1974	17.8	*	1.9	21.3	11.4	1.8	8.8	22.0
1975 and 1976	16.0	*	2.6	19.2	8.5	*	4.8	14.7
1977	14.3	*	2.3	18.0	7.9	*	7.2	16.5
Total arrived before 1978	172.5	17.1	27.6	217.3	96.5	12.3	87.0	195.8
Total movers	665.0	65.5	117.2	847.7	422.5	48.4	365.5	836.4

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over at the time of the survey whose usual residence at the end of the survey year was at a different address from that at the beginning of the year and who were resident in Australia on both dates. (b) Includes those persons looking for their first job.

PART 2. INTERSTATE MIGRATION

TABLE 7. CIVILIANS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED (a) INTERSTATE (b) : STATES AND TERRITORIES ('000)

	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
Year ended 30 September 1978 -									
Moved into State									
Males	24.2	19.6	20.8	8.4	11.4	3.3	4.8	5.4	97.8
Females	26.7	14.3	20.8	8.3	10.6	2.9	4.4	7.8	95.7
Persons	50.9	33.9	41.6	16.7	22.0	6.1	9.2	13.1	193.5
Moved out of State -									
Males	26.3	21.2	18.2	10.0	9.1	3.8	4.0	5.3	97.8
Females	24.7	23.2	17.1	8.5	8.8	4.4	2.9	6.2	95.7
Persons	51.0	44.3	35.3	18.5	17.9	8.2	6.9	11.5	193.5
Net gain (+) or loss (-)	*	-10.5	+6.4	-1.8	+4.1	-2.1	+2.3	+1.7	..
Standard error of net gain or loss (c)	..	3.6	3.3	2.2	2.2	1.4	1.5	1.7	..
Net gain (+) or loss (-) (Persons)									
Year ended									
30 April 1971	-8.7	-10.2	+8.1	-3.3	+9.4	-1.5	*	+4.9	..
1972	-16.2	*	+9.4	-2.7	+3.5	*	+1.8	+3.2	..
1973	-17.5	+6.9	+10.4	-2.9	-1.3	+1.1	..	+3.5	..
1974	-20.6	-3.2	+9.1	-1.2	+7.3	+2.7	-2.8	+8.8	..
31 December 1974	-16.3	-3.7	+5.7	-1.3	+8.2	+1.6	*	+6.4	..
31 January 1977	-13.5	+5.3	+2.7	+2.9	+5.5	-2.0	-2.5	+1.6	..
30 September 1978	*	-10.5	+6.4	-1.8	+4.1	-2.1	+2.3	+1.7	..

NET GAIN OR LOSS PER TEN THOUSAND OF AUSTRALIAN POPULATION (d)

Year ended									
30 April 1971	-9.74	-11.42	+9.07	-3.69	+10.52	-1.68	*	+5.48	..
1972	-18.09	*	+10.50	-3.02	+3.91	*	+2.01	+3.57	..
1973	-19.31	+7.61	+11.47	-3.20	-1.43	+1.21	..	+3.86	..
1974	-22.30	-3.46	+9.85	-1.30	+7.90	+2.92	-3.03	+9.53	..
31 December 1974	-17.36	-3.94	+6.07	-1.38	+8.74	+1.70	*	+6.82	..
31 January 1977	-13.86	+5.44	+2.77	+2.98	+5.65	-2.05	-2.57	+1.64	..
30 September 1978	*	-10.25	+6.23	-1.73	+4.02	-2.03	+2.23	+1.64	..

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over at the time of the survey whose usual residence at the end of the survey year was at a different address from that at the beginning of the year and who were resident in Australia on both dates. (b) Includes moves between a State and a Territory or between the two Territories. (c) For details of standard errors see Technical Note at the end of this publication. (d) The population (non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over) is that at the end of the period.

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TABLE 8. CIVILIANS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED (a) INTERSTATE (b) : STATES AND TERRITORIES BY AGE, YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1978 ('000)

Age group (years)	N.S.W.	Vic.	Qld	S.A.	W.A.	Tas.	N.T.	A.C.T.	Aust.
MOVED INTO STATE									
15-19	5.7	4.9	3.0	1.8	2.3	*	1.6	2.5	22.3
20-24	12.5	9.3	8.3	4.2	7.3	1.6	3.4	2.3	48.9
25-34	15.5	11.7	14.0	6.2	5.9	3.2	3.2	5.2	64.9
35-44	8.4	4.3	5.0	1.3	2.7	*	*	2.0	24.8
45-54	3.3	*	4.3	1.9	1.2	*	*	*	13.1
55-64	2.5	*	4.6	*	1.8	*	*	*	11.2
65+	3.0	*	2.4	*	*	*	*	*	8.2
Total	50.8	33.9	41.6	16.7	22.0	6.1	9.2	13.1	193.5
MOVED OUT OF STATE									
15-19	6.4	4.4	4.7	1.9	1.2	1.0	*	1.9	22.3
20-24	11.7	9.8	9.7	5.6	4.8	1.6	1.6	4.2	48.9
25-34	17.5	13.1	11.9	6.5	7.5	2.5	2.9	2.9	64.9
35-44	5.9	5.9	5.6	1.7	2.3	1.1	1.1	1.3	24.8
45-54	3.7	4.3	1.6	1.1	1.1	*	*	*	13.1
55-64	3.5	4.0	*	1.1	*	*	*	*	11.2
65+	2.3	2.9	*	*	*	1.2	*	*	8.2
Total	51.0	44.3	35.3	18.5	17.9	8.2	6.9	11.5	193.5

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over at the time of the survey whose usual residence at the end of the survey year was at a different address from that at the beginning of the year and who were resident in Australia on both dates. (b) Includes moves between a State and a Territory or between the two Territories.

TABLE 9. CIVILIANS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER WHO MOVED (a) INTERSTATE (b) : AGE AND SEX YEAR ENDED 30 SEPTEMBER 1978

Age group (years)	Moved to another State or Territory			Proportion of population who moved interstate (c) (Per cent)	Interstate movers as a proportion of all movers (d) (Per cent)
	Males ('000)	Females ('000)	Persons ('000)		
15-19	10.3	12.0	22.3	1.8	9.8
20-24	22.9	26.0	48.9	4.2	11.0
25-34	35.2	29.7	64.9	3.0	12.4
35-44	12.5	12.4	24.8	1.5	12.2
45-54	7.5	5.6	13.1	0.9	10.7
55-64	5.9	5.3	11.2	0.9	12.5
65+	3.5	4.7	8.2	0.7	11.5
Total	97.8	95.7	193.5	1.9	11.5

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over at the time of the survey whose usual residence at the end of the survey year was at a different address from that at the beginning of the year and who were resident in Australia on both dates. (b) Includes moves between a State and a Territory or between the two Territories. (c) Persons who changed State or Territory of usual residence during the year as a proportion of all persons of corresponding age who resided in Australia at the beginning and end of the year. (d) Persons who changed State or Territory of usual residence during the year as a proportion of all movers of corresponding age.

PART 3. RESIDENCE OF OVERSEAS ARRIVALS

TABLE 10. CIVILIANS AGED 15 YEARS AND OVER (a) WHOSE USUAL RESIDENCE WAS OVERSEAS AT BEGINNING OF YEAR : AGE AND SEX ('000)

Age group (years)	Year ended 30 April 1974			Year ended 31 December 1974			Year ended 31 January 1977			Year ended 30 September 1978		
	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons	Males	Females	Persons
15-19	5.6	6.2	11.8	6.1	7.7	13.8	4.4	4.4	8.8	6.4	7.6	14.1
20-24	15.8	18.1	33.9	13.8	17.0	30.8	10.2	12.9	23.1	12.6	16.3	28.9
25-34	30.2	26.5	56.7	26.8	24.2	51.0	17.7	17.8	35.5	25.3	24.2	49.4
35-44	10.4	7.8	18.3	11.2	6.7	17.9	8.3	5.1	13.4	8.6	8.8	17.4
45-54	4.0	3.4	7.4	4.6	5.3	9.9	4.6	3.2	7.7	4.5	3.8	8.3
55-64	*	*	*	*	*	5.2	*	3.3	4.3	2.6	3.4	6.0
65+	*	*	5.6	*	*	4.3	2.7	2.6	5.3	2.3	3.3	5.6
Total	69.8	67.6	137.4	65.4	67.4	132.8	48.9	49.3	98.2	62.2	67.4	129.6

(a) Non-institutional civilians aged 15 years and over at the time of the survey.

Since the estimates in this publication are based on information obtained from occupants of a sample of dwellings, (about 30,000 dwellings or about two thirds of one per cent) they may differ from the figures that would have been produced if the information had been obtained from occupants of all dwellings. One measure of the likely difference is given by the *standard error*, which indicates the extent to which an estimate might have varied by chance because only a sample of dwellings was included in the survey. There are about two chances in three that a sample estimate will differ by less than one standard error from the figure that would have been obtained if all dwellings had been included in the survey, and about nineteen chances in twenty that the difference will be less than two standard errors.

3. The reliability of an estimated percentage, computed by using sample data for both numerator and

4. As the standard errors in the table below show, *the smaller the estimate the higher is the relative standard error*. Very small estimates are thus subject to such high standard errors (relative to the size of the estimate) as to detract seriously from their value for most reasonable uses. Estimates with a standard error of more than about 35 per cent have not been shown in this publication. Although they can in some cases be derived by subtraction they should not be regarded as reliable.

6. The imprecision due to sampling variability, which is measured by the standard error, should not be confused with inaccuracies that may occur because of imperfections in reporting by interviewers and respondents. Inaccuracies of this kind are referred to as the *non-sampling error*, and they may occur in any enumeration, whether it be a full count or only a sample. Every effort is made to reduce the non-sampling error to a minimum by careful design of questionnaires, intensive training and supervision of interviewers and efficient operating procedures.

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